

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Confirmation No.: 3089
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JIMENEZ, J.H., <i>et al.</i>)	Group Art Unit: 3774
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Serial No.: 10/561,900)	Examiner: MATTHEWS, W.H.
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Filed: 22 DECEMBER 2005)	
)	Atty. Docket No.: GTRC135
Title: ANNULOPLASTY CHAIN)	

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**Commissioner for Patents
MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Honorable Sir:

In response to the 24 February 2010 Office Action from Primary Examiner William Matthews of Art Unit 3774 Applicant submits this Response. Applicants petition for a 3 month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Applicant asserts that the Application is in condition for allowance and respectfully solicits early and favorable consideration. The Application is believed allowable for the following reasons.